

IN THE TITLE

Please amend the title to read as follows:

--METHOD OF PROCESSING DISCHARGE PORT OF AN INK JET

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HEAD--.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the Abstract with the following paragraph (a marked up version of that paragraph, showing the changes made thereto, is attached):

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A method for processing the discharge port of an ink jet head provided with a discharge port plate having the discharge port. A mask plate having an opening in the form of the discharge port is closely contacted with the face of the discharge port plate on the ink discharge side. The discharge port is formed on the discharge port plate by irradiating plural high energy ultraviolet parallel beams simultaneously through the mask plate in a direction inclined at a specific angle to the vertical axis of the mask plate face.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 2, 3, 5 and 7-15, to read as follows. A marked-up copy of these claims, showing the changes made thereto, is attached. Please note that all the claims currently pending in this application, including those not presently being amended, have been reproduced below for the Examiner's convenience.